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STOCKS OF GRAINS APRIL 1, 1955, WITH COMPARISONS

The Crop Reporting Board of the Agricultural Marketing Service has assembled from various sources the following information on stocks of grain in all positions:

Grain	Position	Apr. 1 1953	Apr. 1 1954	Jan. 1 1955	Apr. 1 1955
		Thousand bushels			
Wheat	(On Farms 1/	269,523	296,598	315,689	207,920
	(Terminals 2/	217,258	298,934	374,369	351,913
	(Commodity Credit Corp. 3/	4,351	47,483	131,366	122,509
	(Merchant Mills 1/ 4/	101,691	104,778	126,382	101,468
	(Int.Mills,Elev. & Whses. 1/ 5/	247,706	380,137	518,051	428,636
	TOTAL	840,529	1,127,930	1,465,857	1,212,446
Rye	(On Farms 1/	2,454	5,467	9,244	7,654
	(Terminals 2/	2,186	9,811	10,940	8,779
	(Commodity Credit Corp. 3/	---	12	1,714	98
	(Int.Mills,Elev. & Whses. 1/ 5/	2,127	3,327	3,737	3,368
	TOTAL	6,767	18,617	25,635	19,899
Corn	(On Farms 1/	1,452,627	1,473,745	2,070,187	1,410,006
	(Terminals 2/	37,288	33,793	60,218	56,199
	(Commodity Credit Corp. 3/	233,894	399,315	515,887	512,770
	(Int.Mills,Elev. & Whses. 1/ 5/	73,742	85,697	155,939	136,000
	TOTAL	1,797,551	1,992,750	2,802,231	2,114,975
Oats	(On Farms 1/	454,075	447,253	922,637	553,252
	(Terminals 2/	12,734	8,648	20,055	17,886
	(Commodity Credit Corp. 3/	171	73	12,741	1,393
	(Int.Mills,Elev. & Whses. 1/ 5/	36,807	35,216	60,412	48,523
	TOTAL	503,787	491,190	1,015,845	621,054
Barley	(On Farms 1/	57,126	75,531	165,805	117,470
	(Terminals 2/	7,992	8,923	27,517	21,184
	(Commodity Credit Corp. 3/	124	26	6,057	414
	(Int.Mills,Elev. & Whses. 1/ 5/	32,577	39,601	84,459	67,756
	TOTAL	97,819	124,081	283,838	206,824
Sorghum Grain	(On Farms 1/	6/	6/	51,789	67
	(Terminals 2/	2,967	7,301	40,643	38,425
	(Commodity Credit Corp. 3/	730	1	1,303	90
	(Int.Mills,Elev. & Whses. 1/ 5/	14,853	30,226	96,072	82,130
	TOTAL	6/	6/	189,807	6/

1/ Estimates of the Crop Reporting Board.
2/ Commercial stocks reported by Grain Division, AMS, at 44 Terminal cities.
3/ Owned by CCC and stored in bins or other storages owned or controlled by CCC, also CCC-owned grain in transit to ports; other CCC-owned grain is included in the estimates by positions.
4/ Mills reporting to the Bureau of the Census, on millings and stocks of flour.
5/ All off-farm storages not otherwise designated for each grain
6/ Not available for April 1 nor July 1.

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RECORD STOCKS OF MOST GRAINS FOR APRIL 1

Stocks in all storage positions on April 1, 1955 were record large for corn - with 2,115 million bushels, for wheat - 1,212 million bushels, and barley - 207 million bushels. The off-farm total of 121 million bushels of sorghum grain -- farm stocks are not estimated on April 1 -- is also largest of record. The 621 million bushels of oats almost equals the record and the 19.9 million bushels of rye are the largest April 1 stocks since 1944. The tonnage of feed grains in all positions is by far the largest in the 13-year series available for April 1. These totals were assembled by the Crop Reporting Board, bringing together commercial stocks at terminals, as reported by the Grain Division of the Agricultural Marketing Service; grains reported by Commodity Credit Corporation as owned and stored in bins, ships and other storages under CCC control, and in transit to ports; estimates of the Crop Reporting Board for stocks on farms, and at merchant mills and interior mills, elevators and warehouses. Comparison of these stocks with those for January 1, 1955 indicate relatively small disappearance of corn, partly offset by heavy disappearance of other feed grains.

Stocks of over 1,212 million bushels of wheat stored in all positions on April 1, 1955 are the largest for that date in the comparable series beginning in 1935. This total is over 7 percent larger than a year earlier, the previous record holdings for April 1. Current stocks are 253 million bushels less than the January 1, 1955 stocks.

Off-farm stocks of nearly 1,005 million bushels of wheat, one-fifth larger than a year earlier, are a record total for the date. Of this total, about nine-tenths was either owned by the Commodity Credit Corporation or was warehouse-stored wheat under Government commodity loans. Stocks of wheat on farms, at about 208 million bushels, were nearly a third less than the record total a year earlier and the smallest April 1 stocks since 1952. About three-fifths of the total wheat on farms was under Government commodity loan.

The off-farm wheat total includes 101 million bushels at merchant mills, 429 million bushels in interior mills, elevators and warehouses and 352 million bushels of commercial stocks at terminals. The Commodity Credit Corporation had nearly 123 million bushels of wheat, a record total, stored in bins under CCC control, aboard ships in the "mothball" fleet, and in transit to ports. Other Government owned wheat is included in the estimate for the position where stored.

The 19.9 million bushels of rye stored in all positions on April 1, 1955 is the largest for that date since 1944 and exceeds the April 1 stocks a year earlier by nearly 7 percent. Of this total, nearly 8 million bushels or 38 percent was stored on farms. Stocks of rye in bins under Commodity Credit Corporation control on April 1 totaled only 98,000 bushels. Rye held in all other off-farm storage totaled 12.1 million bushels which compares with 13.1 million bushels in similar positions on April 1, 1954.

Corn stocks of 2,115 million bushels in all storage positions on April 1 reached a new high mark for the date, about 6 percent larger than the previous record a year ago. Farm stocks of 1,410 million bushels were only a little smaller than the relatively large reserves of the last two years. The off-farm portion, however, was much larger than on any previous April 1, chiefly because of the 513 million bushels owned and stored in their own bins by Commodity Credit Corporation. The 56 million bushels of commercial stocks at terminals was a relatively large quantity for that position. The 136 million bushels at interior mills, elevators and warehouses was by far the largest in 13 years of record for April 1. From the October 1, 1954 supply of 3,572 million bushels of grain corn, disappearance to April 1 is computed at 1,457 million bushels, much less than usual for the 6-month period. In the January-March quarter, disappearance is indicated at 687 million bushels, nearly as large as in that period of 1954, but less than usual for the quarter.

Oats stocks of 621 million bushels were over a fourth larger than a year ago and almost up to the record for April 1 in 1946. The farm-stored portion of 553 million bushels is largest since 1949 and third largest of record. Making up the record-large off-farm portion of 68 million bushels are relatively large stocks of 18 million bushels at terminals, 1.4 million bushels owned and stored by CCC in their own bins and record large April 1 stocks of 48.5 million bushels of oats at interior mills, elevators and warehouses. Disappearance of 395 million bushels of oats since January 1, 1955 is much larger than usual for the quarter, and has been exceeded only in 1946.

Barley stocks of nearly 207 million bushels in all positions were the largest of record and two-thirds larger than holdings on April 1 a year ago. Stocks of about 117 million bushels on farms were the largest since 1943 and 56 percent larger than on this date last year. Record large holdings of about 68 million bushels were also reported at interior mills, elevators and warehouses. Holdings of 21.2 million bushels at terminal points were the largest since 1951. Disappearance of 77 million bushels during the January-March quarter was the largest since 1951.

For sorghum grains, stocks data are available on April 1 for only the off-farm positions. The off-farm total of 120.6 million bushels is the largest of record and more than three times the holdings in these positions last year. Of this total, 82.1 millions were at interior mills, elevators and warehouses, and 38.4 million bushels at terminal points, while only 90,000 bushels were stored in CCC bins.

STOCKS OF GRAINS, APRIL 1, 1955

State	Wheat: In interior mills, elevators, and warehouses April 1		Wheat: Merchant mills April 1		Wheat: Off-farm total 1/ April 1		Wheat: Total 2/ all positions April 1	
	1954	1955	1954	1955	1954	1955	1954	1955
	Thousand bushels							
N.Eng.	120	110	*	*	255	168	255	168
N.Y.	*	*	6,172	5,779	39,054	45,422	43,778	49,146
N.J.	141	135	*	*	701	1,665	944	1,952
Pa.	1,169	1,763	950	860	3,264	5,340	7,402	8,111
Ohio	9,336	7,621	*	*	21,345	16,071	35,864	25,773
Ind.	3,047	1,912	2,596	2,084	7,737	7,500	15,120	17,031
Ill.	5,641	9,604	4,090	4,425	21,994	24,675	32,880	33,659
Mich.	5,245	5,289	2,202	1,851	7,641	8,449	23,730	16,849
Wis.	1,643	1,655	*	*	29,096	30,472	29,712	31,045
Minn.	4,201	5,221	8,952	6,685	63,287	65,987	71,373	70,606
Iowa	1,479	439	*	1,648	11,144	9,982	11,507	10,290
Mo.	943	3,384	9,391	9,142	32,398	36,950	37,732	43,769
N.Dak.	23,240	20,000	2,930	2,678	26,251	26,919	83,660	61,867
S.Dak.	7,351	6,364	204	174	10,181	17,239	29,838	29,933
Nebr.	26,607	37,798	3,031	3,258	44,131	62,095	69,065	79,966
Kans.	80,525	106,354	19,844	22,366	170,746	225,114	206,912	256,831
Del.	31	31	10	21	41	52	71	85
Md.	69	67	*	525	5,163	4,670	5,426	4,869
Va.	*	839	573	744	12,798	25,203	13,775	25,897
W.Va.	9	15	28	64	37	79	329	402
N.C.	458	512	624	624	1,082	1,136	2,433	2,326
S.C.	435	429	108	130	543	685	798	808
Ga.	529	508	77	187	606	695	991	809
Fla.	---	6	---	---	---	6	---	6
Ky.	*	811	1,130	770	2,983	3,397	3,864	4,003
Tenn.	1,046	888	616	538	1,842	1,698	2,711	1,955
Ala.	95	33	*	*	569	1,182	597	1,208
Miss.	*	27	*	*	148	*	315	*
Ark.	*	635	*	*	1,255	*	1,451	*
La.	3	1,948	---	---	456	2,500	456	2,500
Okla.	30,956	32,495	4,117	5,505	71,676	79,685	75,215	82,516
Texas	57,378	73,686	13,146	10,853	94,298	111,813	94,874	112,431
Mont.	11,322	8,621	2,195	2,223	13,517	10,865	53,533	35,363
Idaho	13,426	11,142	1,241	1,081	14,667	12,223	21,930	16,464
Wyo.	*	519	*	*	732	*	2,506	*
Colo.	15,741	17,484	2,297	1,640	20,980	23,897	32,826	27,197
N.Mex.	2,894	2,850	700	635	3,594	3,485	3,668	3,549
Ariz.	16	11	86	78	102	89	156	118
Utah	640	382	1,816	1,708	3,676	3,142	4,857	4,125
Nev.	42	*	---	---	42	*	159	*
Wash.	50,165	45,071	3,725	3,852	63,974	88,394	70,706	96,363
Oreg.	16,100	13,051	2,361	2,067	23,400	39,412	29,231	43,666
Calif.	712	1,013	1,085	951	2,400	2,157	3,754	3,731
Unallocated*	7,382	7,913	8,481	6,322	1,526	4,013	1,526	5,059
U.S.	380,137	428,636	104,778	101,468	831,332	1,004,526	1,127,930	1,212,446

*Unallocated - to avoid disclosing individual operations.

1/Includes, in addition to stocks in Interior Mills, Elevators and Warehouses and Merchant Mills, commercial stocks reported by Grain Division, AMS, at terminals, and those owned by Commodity Credit Corporation which are in transit to ports, in bins, ships and other storages under CCC control.

2/Off-farm total plus farm stocks.

STOCKS OF GRAINS APRIL 1, 1955 - Continued

State	Rye				Shelled and ear corn			
	Off-farm total 1/ April 1		Total 2/ all positions April 1		Off-farm total 1/ April 1		Total 2/ all positions April 1	
	1954	1955	1954	1955	1954	1955	1954	1955
	Thousand bushels							
N.Eng.	*	*	*	*	444	444	705	712
N.Y.	1,112	681	1,129	711	1,849	5,577	7,177	10,299
N.J.	4	3	8	30	309	589	3,794	4,364
Pa.	26	104	56	148	2,097	3,158	23,467	30,482
Ohio	*	38	*	319	11,788	19,938	98,592	132,727
Ind.	46	24	69	342	20,925	35,313	136,047	161,616
Ill.	8,015	6,115	8,057	6,382	94,966	143,845	344,175	388,441
Mich.	32	86	185	369	3,504	9,269	40,267	50,260
Wis.	162	467	331	638	6,869	11,303	55,479	62,374
Minn.	1,588	1,959	2,150	2,559	46,982	76,852	186,757	212,639
Iowa	10	22	21	36	193,959	236,403	560,668	565,036
Mo.	132	148	147	240	13,983	18,806	65,539	49,777
N.Dak.	1,170	1,440	3,165	4,209	793	1,502	4,973	5,968
S.Dak.	497	450	2,044	1,877	31,995	39,390	102,887	96,727
Nebr.	47	106	451	664	61,614	74,131	169,631	181,382
Kans.	24	40	60	184	5,860	7,953	23,423	22,391
Del.	5	3	7	15	1,114	1,333	3,211	3,021
Md.	11	29	19	52	1,935	2,146	7,753	8,050
Va.	8	45	21	74	635	1,222	7,122	10,323
W.Va.	*	1	*	4	345	102	2,585	3,405
N.C.	2	2	19	29	2,010	2,778	21,820	19,438
S.C.	*	*	*	*	403	280	8,237	3,951
Ga.	1	*	11	*	760	1,016	16,541	8,411
Fla.	---	---	---	---	---	133	1,777	1,839
Ky.	138	120	154	164	2,531	2,669	28,742	30,767
Tenn.	15	10	41	23	2,409	2,977	20,399	15,229
Ala.	3	*	3	*	1,384	976	15,246	8,372
Miss.	1	*	1	*	235	215	10,272	8,469
Ark.	*	*	*	*	90	91	3,041	1,879
La.	---	---	---	---	2,025	259	4,368	3,132
Okla.	*	11	*	149	329	293	1,491	979
Texas	9	70	41	104	1,237	1,473	9,133	6,526
Mont.	4	2	30	45	22	38	119	110
Idaho	3	2	7	10	20	43	490	523
Wyo.	1	*	13	*	43	33	95	83
Colo.	4	19	22	102	682	1,065	2,815	2,410
N.Mex.	*	*	*	*	23	11	224	321
Ariz.	*	*	*	*	16	14	198	202
Utah	*	*	*	10	87	108	136	163
Nev.	*	*	*	*	3	1	3	1
Wash.	7	185	44	236	167	257	328	605
Oreg.	24	49	121	111	154	120	318	407
Calif.	31	7	43	25	749	831	1,045	1,152
Unallocated	18	7	147	38	1,660	12	1,660	12
U.S.	13,150	12,245	18,617	19,899	519,005	704,969	1,992,750	2,114,975

*Unallocated - to avoid disclosing individual operations.

1/Includes stocks at Interior Mills, Elevators and Warehouses, commercial stocks reported by Grain Division, AMS, at terminals, and those owned by Commodity Credit Corporation which are in transit to ports, in bins and other storages under C.C.C. control.

2/Off-farm total plus farm stocks.

State	Oats				Barley			
	Off-farm total 1/ April 1		Total 2/ all positions April 1		Off-farm total 1/ April 1		Total 2/ all positions April 1	
	1954	1955	1954	1955	1954	1955	1954	1955
	Thousand bushels							
N.Eng.	560	504	2,660	1,996	112	73	142	105
N.Y.	3,731	3,295	13,399	11,899	678	774	1,158	1,286
N.J.	192	218	651	823	*	*	*	*
Pa.	614	623	9,649	12,651	134	130	1,524	2,154
Ohio	2,467	2,831	17,641	22,670	*	*	*	*
Ind.	1,271	1,543	14,980	19,231	28	42	176	388
Ill.	4,870	3,170	40,542	49,296	1,839	935	2,025	1,364
Mich.	771	1,135	19,325	23,334	133	*	990	*
Wis.	1,184	4,284	47,753	52,672	11,374	11,273	12,382	12,126
Minn.	5,657	14,501	80,136	96,259	10,536	11,426	20,481	24,329
Iowa	4,446	6,576	64,730	108,165	165	*	221	*
Mo.	1,085	1,266	8,120	18,620	*	*	*	*
N.Dak.	2,527	3,634	38,444	33,312	4,486	4,680	27,689	36,437
S.Dak.	2,542	3,680	53,436	63,979	501	592	5,946	7,116
Nebr.	656	1,235	15,749	27,176	110	165	1,562	2,055
Kans.	444	621	5,924	10,405	63	295	392	2,565
Del.	*	72	*	140	*	3	*	64
Md.	135	205	584	878	96	540	493	1,390
Va.	129	275	940	1,760	22	392	596	1,148
W.Va.	27	40	424	742	6	11	89	151
N.C.	345	448	3,813	4,119	42	80	339	448
S.C.	325	1,492	3,747	4,354	10	11	57	63
Ga.	2,183	3,106	6,097	4,592	9	16	27	27
Fla.	---	98	72	152	---	---	---	---
Ky.	99	93	835	1,287	12	15	264	458
Tenn.	*	385	*	1,632	*	54	*	228
Ala.	125	185	811	742	*	*	*	*
Miss.	961	1,110	2,243	4,868	*	13	*	13
Ark.	267	1,307	1,437	2,992	*	*	*	*
La.	94	125	286	368	9	6	9	6
Okla.	212	535	2,530	3,272	21	152	95	633
Texas	1,393	2,325	10,397	9,355	99	322	327	667
Mont.	158	195	7,085	7,443	810	4,463	12,542	26,795
Idaho	590	1,524	2,942	4,270	1,968	3,575	4,441	7,716
Wyo.	75	66	1,938	2,026	86	90	1,485	1,549
Colo.	268	302	2,287	1,892	948	1,103	3,456	3,139
N.Mex.	25	27	88	116	9	4	67	83
Ariz.	33	27	150	126	391	3,421	779	4,954
Utah	75	102	726	854	461	709	2,375	3,026
Nev.	23	7	109	99	33	33	144	191
Wash.	725	1,691	2,101	3,561	2,425	15,904	3,521	18,982
Oreg.	820	2,208	3,230	5,837	2,590	7,829	4,261	11,399
Calif.	892	736	1,055	1,089	6,828	18,118	11,592	28,603
Unallocated*	941	---	2,124	---	1,516	2,105	2,434	5,166
U.S.	43,937	67,802	491,190	621,054	48,550	89,354	124,081	206,824

*Unallocated - to avoid disclosing individual operations.

1/Includes stocks at Interior Mills, Elevators and Warehouses, commercial stocks reported by Grain Division, AMS, at terminals, and those owned by Commodity Credit Corporation which are in transit to ports, in bins and other storages under C.C.C. control.

2/Off-farm total plus farm stocks.

SORGHUM GRAIN: OFF-FARM 1/ STOCKS, BY STATES

State	April 1, 1954	April 1, 1955	State	April 1, 1954	April 1, 1955
	Thous. bushels			Thous. bushels	
N.Y.	5	6	Ala.	*	41
Pa.	10	10	Miss.	3	14
Ohio	7	*	Ark.	*	22
Ind.	5	5	La.	*	17
Ill.	8	26	Okla.	1,562	2,418
Wis.	*	4	Texas	26,514	82,181
Minn.	*	4	Wyo.	*	7
Iowa	4	*	Colo.	314	600
Mo.	560	4,428	N.Mex.	568	1,251
S.Dak.	11	*	Ariz.	293	2,875
Nebr.	158	3,068	Utah	*	165
Kans.	6,673	21,987	Wash.	*	8
Md.	*	3	Oreg.	*	9
N.C.	111	122	Calif.	529	934
S.C.	1	*	Other States and Unallocated*	189	405
Ky.	3	2			
Tenn.	*	33	U.S.	37,528	120,645

*Unallocated - to avoid disclosing individual operations.

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